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FM AMEMBASSY MANAMA BAHRAIN

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SUBJECT : NWC VISIT

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1. AMBASSADOR MARCH 20 EXPLORED ARRANGMENTS FOR APRIL 28 CNSIT IN SOME DETAIL WITH FOREIGN MINISTER. NWC GROUP IS MOST WELCOME IN BAHRAIN; GOB'S CAPABILITY FOR TURNING ITSELF OUT FOR VISIT WILL BE LIMITED LARGELY BY DEGREE OF EXHAUSTION AND PREOCCUPATION KEY MINISTERS ARE EXPERIENCING IN LATE APRIL FROM APPARENTLY ENDLESS STREAM OF HIGH-LEVEL OFFICIAL VISITORS.

2. AMIR OF BAHRAIN WILL BE DELIGHTED RECEIVE LEADER OF GROUP AND PERHAPS FIVE REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS, ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR AND COMMANDER MIDDLE EAST FORCE FOR COURTESY CALL MORNING APRIL 28. IF PRIME MINISTER AND CROWN PRINCE/DEFENSE MINISTER ARE AVAILABLE AND DO NOT ATTEND THIS CALL, WE WILL SEEK SEPARATE CALLS ON THEM. GOB WILL HAVE TO WORK THIS OUT ITSELF. FOREIGN MINISTER WAS INSISTENT THAT ATTENDANCE ENTIRE NWC GROUP DURING CALL ON AMIR WOULD BE AWKWARD AND POINTLESS. SAME APPLIES PRIME MINISTER AND DEFENSE MINISTER.

3. DURING MORNING REMAINDER OF NWC GROUP ACCOMPANIED BY EMBASSY AND MIDDLE EAST FORCE OFFICERS WILL TOUR BAHRAIN, WITH MID-POINT AT BAHRAIN PETROLEUM COMPANY, WHERE PRESIDENT STOLZ HAS OFFERED MAKE AL DAR GUEST HOUSE AVAILABLE FOR  
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REFRESHMENTS AND EMBASSY/MIDEASTFOR BRIEFING.

4. COMMANDER MIDDLE EAST FORCE HAS OFFERED MAKE NCSO JUFAR OFFICER'S CLUB AVAILABLE FOR LUNCHEON WHICH WOULD BE "NO HOST" INsofar NWC GROUP CONCERNED. GROUP LEADER WOULD HOST REPRESENTATIVE SELECTION GOB CABINET MINISTERS FOR LUNCHEON WHICH WOULD PERMIT INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH KEY BAHRAINI OFFICIALS.

5. GROUP'S TIGHT SCHEDULE (AND BAHRAINI WORKING HOURS) WILL PRECLUDE AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO DEPARTURE EXCEPT POSSIBLE "ONE SHOP" CRACK AT LOCAL TOURIST MARKET.

6. AMBASSADOR/COMMANDER MIDDLE EAST FORCE CORRESPONDING SEPARATELY WITH ADMIRAL BAYNE RE POSSIBILITY HIS PERSONALLY ACCOMPANYING NWC GROUP HERE.

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